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Title: Need to repair and renovate the stretch of N.H.-47 between Mannuthy and Wadakkancherry in Kerala.

SHRI P.K. BIJU (ALATHUR): Urgent attention of the the Central Govt. is invited towords the pathetic condition and alarming number of accident deaths happening on the stretch between Mannuthy and Wadakkancherry of NH 47 running through my constituency, Alathur, Kerala. For repairing and renovation of the road, the Central Government has transferred rupees 4.90 crores to the National Highways Authority of India. A tender had been floated for the above purpose on 09-11-2012, but no contractor participated in it. In the retender floated on 30-11-2012 only one contractor participated. The tender was awarded to the contractor under the condition of completion of works within one month and has been forwarded to the office of the National Highways Authority of India. But no action was taken by the NHAI citing the reason that the tender had only one participant. The State Government has also taken no action in this regard. The apathetic attitude of both NHAI and the State Government would sabotage the renovation ofN.H.-47. To complete the renovation on a war footing basis, the Central Government has to transfer the money directly to the State Government, like in previous years. The sanctioned amount of Rupees 59.28 lakh is totally insufficient considering the pathetic condition of the stretch between Mannuthy and Vadakkencherry of NH 47. At least 10 crores are required to make it traffic-worthy. As per the MoU between the contractor and the NHAI, maintaining the traffic worthiness of the existing road till the completion of the 6 lanes and 4 lanes is the responsibility of the contractor. The project offices of NHAI at Kodungalloor (Thrissur District] and Palakkad are flouting this contract. I request you to order an enquiry into the functioning of these offices so that renovation work starts without any delay.